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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Sir:

Applicants request continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

- ☒ Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (check at least one of the following):
- ☒ Previously submitted:
 - ☐ Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.
 - ☒ Please enter and consider the Amendment previously filed on August 24, 2006.
 - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - ☐ Other: _____
 - ☐ Attached is/are:
 - ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement
 - ☐ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
 - ☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability
 - ☐ Other: _____

☐ Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

☐ Small Entity Status:

☐ Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

☐ A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. _____ / _____ and such status is still proper and desired.

☐ Is no longer desired.

☒ Applicants calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:

☒ A Request fee of \$790.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

☐ A suspension processing fee of \$ _____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i).

☐ An additional filing fee of \$ _____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (_____ additional independent claims and/or _____ additional total claims).

☒ An extension fee of \$450.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a two-month extension of time.

☒ Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):

☒ Checks in the amounts of \$790.00 and \$450.00 are enclosed.

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$ _____. A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

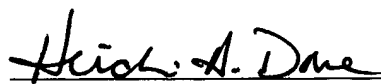
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☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE). A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

November 15, 2006

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